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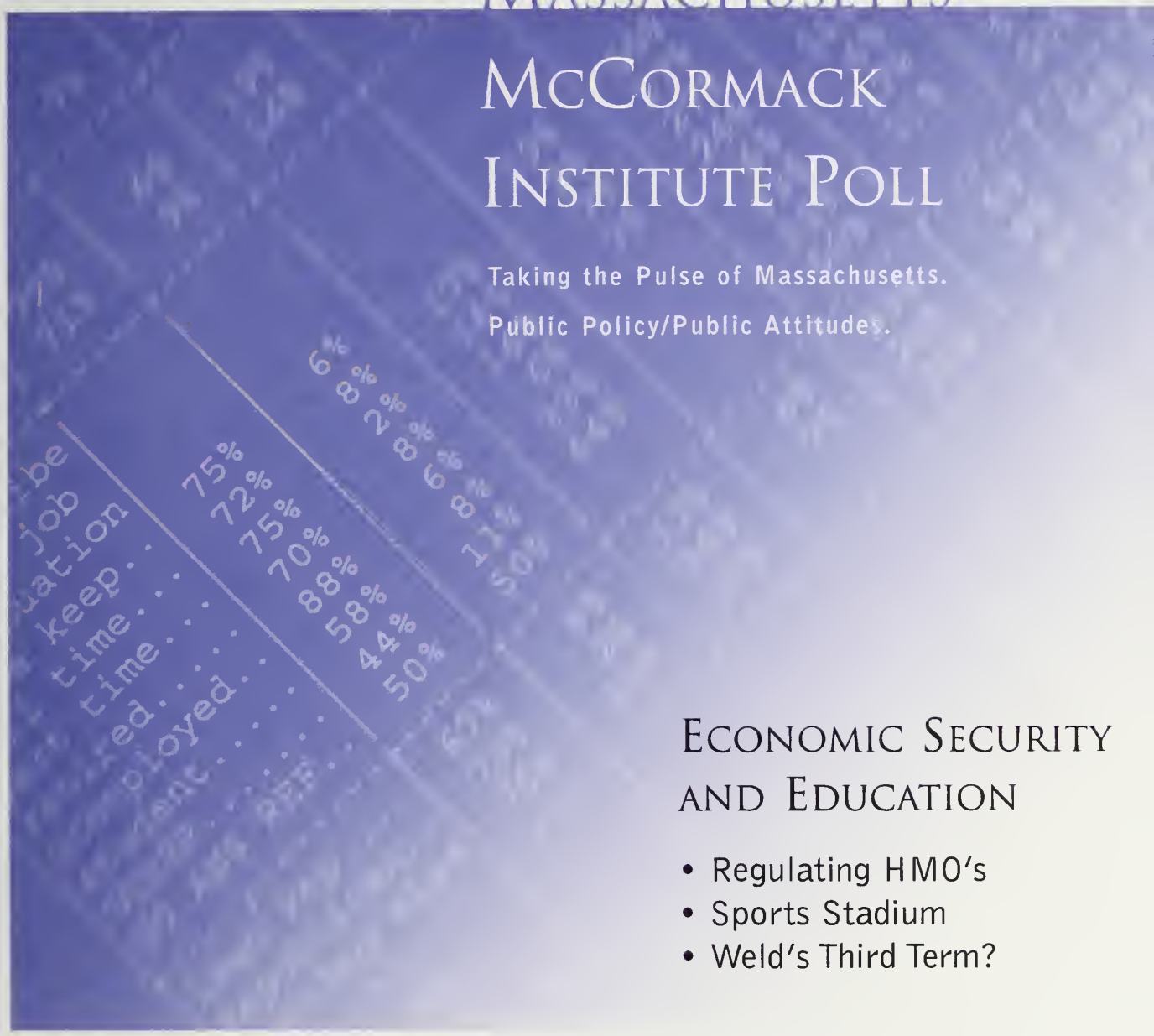

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This report sets forth the findings of the Winter Edition of the University of Massachusetts/McCormack Institute Poll. The poll is a joint effort of the Economic Project of the University of Massachusetts President's Office and the McCormack Institute for Public Affairs, located at the University of Massachusetts Boston campus.

The University of Massachusetts/McCormack Institute Poll is an omnibus survey research vehicle designed to measure the attitudes of Massachusetts residents toward topical concerns in the social, economic and political life of the Commonwealth. It is conducted, and its results are published, on a quarterly basis.

On a number of concerns, the University of Massachusetts/McCormack Institute Poll will track attitudes over time. It will also measure concerns that are of immediate interest to the general public, elected officials, leaders of business and labor as well as university policy analysts. The next report of the University of Massachusetts/McCormack Institute Poll, the Spring Edition, will appear in April of 1997.

The staff and Director of the poll are actively interested in public comments on the findings as well as suggestions for prospective areas of inquiry. Researchers may also purchase space for specific projects. We invite comments and suggestions as well as requests via e-mail:

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METHODOLOGY

The following data summarize findings from a telephone survey conducted during the period of January 14, 1997 to January 20, 1997. Interviews were conducted by professionally trained interviewers under the supervision of the Public Affairs Research Center at Clark University, Worcester, Massachusetts.

A random digit dial sample was drawn using the Waksberg method. Quotas were met for sampling location and gender. A random respondent selection was used. The results cited in the Gender and Welfare section were based on a total sample size of 503 respondents, 400 voters and 103 non-voting adults, all other section results were based on a total sample of 400 registered voters; results from this sample can be interpreted as accurate to within 5 percent with a 95 percent level of confidence. Respondent cooperation, response rate, and call completion were satisfactory. The sample performed within expectations for a random digit dial sample.

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ECONOMIC SECURITY

Of the 65 percent of all respondents who say they are working full time or part time, 85 percent say they are very or somewhat satisfied with their current job security. They represent 56 percent of the electorate as a whole. Twelve percent of those working full time or part time say they are somewhat or very dissatisfied. They are eight percent of all respondents. The other two percent, who are one percent of all respondents, do not know or have no opinion.

Demographically, education is a factor. Half of those with a high school education or less are very or somewhat satisfied with their current job security. Nearly two-thirds of those with college or postgraduate degrees are very or somewhat satisfied.

Seventy-five percent of the full-time or part-time workers are very or somewhat satisfied with their opportunities for career advancement. They represent 48 percent of all respondents. Seventeen percent -- or ll percent of all respondents -- are somewhat or very dissatisfied. The other eight percent -- or five percent of all respondents -- volunteer that they do not know or have no opinion.

Again, education is a factor. The share of college graduates and postgra- duates who are satisfied with their career advancement opportunities is higher than the share of those with a high school education or less who ex- press such satisfaction.

Sixty-eight percent of full-time and part-time workers are satisfied with job opportunities where they live. Twenty-six percent are dissatisfied. The other six percent volunteer that they do not know or have no opinion.

Education continues to be a telling factor. Again, the percentage of college graduates and postgraduates who are satisfied is higher than the percentage of those with a high school education or less.

Sixty-six percent of those working full time or part time are satisfied with their retirement security, 27 percent are dissatisfied, and the other seven percent volunteer that they do not know or have no opinion.

Demographically, income is a factor here. The percentage of those with household incomes of under $30,000 who are satisfied with their retirement security is smaller than the percentage of those with incomes above $50,000.

Sixty-five percent of those working full time or part time are satisfied that their income is keeping up with prices. Thirty-two percent are dissatisfied on this score. The other three percent volunteer they do not know or have no opinion.

Education is a key factor. The percentage of those with high school education or less who are satisfied is lower than the percentage of those with college or postgraduate degrees.

Fifty-three percent of those working full time or part time are satisfied with the amount of money that they are saving. Forty-three percent are dissatisfied. The other four percent volunteer that they do not know or have no opinion.

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Once again, education is a factor. The satisfied percentage of those with a high school education or less is smaller than the satisfied percentage of those with college or postgraduate degrees.

Finally, 80 percent of those working full time or part time are satisfied with the health care coverage for them and their families. Seventeen percent are dissatisfied. The other three percent volunteer that they do not know or have no opinion.

The satisfied percentage of those with a high school education or less is smaller than the satisfied percentage of those with college or postgraduate degrees. Income is also a factor. The satisfied percentage of those with high school or less is smaller than the satisfied percentage of college graduates and postgraduates. (CROSSTABS FOLLOW)

n = 400	Job situation								salary or hourly pay?				TOTAL
	House keep	full time	part time	Retir ed	Unemp	stude nt	Other	na- ref	Hourl y	Salar y	Self empl	na- ref	
ALL RESP....	4%	52%	13%	22%	5%	3%	1%	0%	35%	21%	8%	0%	259
gender													
Male.....	1%	59%	7%	22%	6%	4%		0%	37%	21%	8%		128
Female.....	6%	45%	18%	23%	3%	2%	2%		33%	21%	9%	0%	131
AREA													
617 area....	3%	43%	13%	27%	6%	4%	3%	1%	27%	21%	8%		63
508 area....	5%	54%	13%	21%	5%	2%	1%		40%	19%	8%		145
413 area....	3%	59%	12%	19%	2%	5%			35%	24%	11%	1%	51
Ancestors													
African Am..	17%	60%	8%	8%		8%			45%	23%			7
Asian Am....		70%	10%		8%	11%			81%				7
Hispanic....		81%	9%		9%				54%	21%	16%		11
European Am.	4%	51%	16%	22%	4%	3%	1%		34%	22%	10%	0%	193
some else...	4%	47%	2%	32%	9%	3%	3%		32%	14%	3%		33
ns-dk.....		59%	7%	26%				7%	27%	40%			7
PARTY5													
democrat....	5%	44%	13%	27%	8%	2%	1%		31%	20%	6%		72
lean dem....		56%	16%	20%	2%	1%	5%		40%	25%	7%		51
ind & other.	1%	59%	11%	21%	4%	4%		1%	36%	22%	11%	1%	68
lean rep....	9%	40%	16%	25%	5%	5%			33%	16%	7%		30
republican..	7%	64%	9%	14%	3%	3%			41%	21%	11%		39
AGE3													
under 40....	5%	66%	13%		7%	7%	1%	0%	46%	25%	8%	1%	124
40 to 60....	4%	65%	14%	9%	6%	1%	2%		39%	27%	13%		111
60 & over...	2%	11%	11%	75%			1%		13%	6%	3%		23
refused.....		100%							100%				1
EDUC3													
HS & less...	3%	47%	12%	29%	6%	2%	2%		46%	8%	5%		90
2yr+some....	6%	52%	12%	22%	3%	5%	1%		36%	19%	9%		79
coll+post...	3%	58%	14%	15%	5%	3%		1%	22%	38%	12%	1%	90
INCOME4													
30K+less....	6%	32%	18%	37%	5%	1%	1%		36%	7%	7%		44
30-50K.....	4%	64%	8%	17%	3%	2%	1%		42%	22%	8%		71
50K+over....	5%	67%	14%	6%	3%	6%			32%	34%	14%		84
refused.....	2%	43%	12%	31%	8%	3%	2%	1%	32%	18%	5%	1%	60

n = 400	Your current job security					Your opportunity for career advancement					TOTAL
	Very sat	some sat	Some dissa t	very dissa t	dk-na	Very sat	some sat	Some dissa t	very dissa t	dk-na	
ALL RESP....	31%	25%	5%	3%	1%	16%	32%	8%	3%	5%	259
gender											
Male.....	27%	27%	5%	5%	3%	16%	31%	8%	5%	6%	128
Female.....	34%	23%	5%	2%		17%	33%	8%		4%	131
AREA											
617 area....	34%	16%	3%	2%	1%	18%	29%	3%		6%	63
508 area....	29%	30%	4%	4%	0%	16%	31%	11%	4%	5%	145
413 area....	30%	25%	9%	4%	4%	16%	42%	7%	2%	4%	51
Ancestors											
African Am..	52%	15%				28%	23%	9%		8%	7
Asian Am....	19%	62%				13%	29%			39%	7
Hispanic....	65%	16%	9%			48%	24%		9%	9%	11
European Am.	32%	24%	5%	5%	2%	16%	35%	8%	3%	5%	193
some else...	21%	23%	5%			13%	26%	9%	1%		33
ns-dk.....		59%			7%	20%	23%	17%		7%	7
PARTY5											
democrat....	28%	22%	3%	3%	1%	13%	31%	7%	4%	2%	72
lean dem....	37%	29%	3%	4%		23%	39%	6%		3%	51
ind & other.	33%	26%	4%	6%	2%	15%	37%	8%	4%	6%	68
lean rep....	27%	20%	7%	2%		21%	12%	12%	2%	9%	30
republican..	28%	30%	9%	2%	4%	14%	38%	9%	2%	10%	39
AGE3											
under 40....	35%	39%	5%	1%	1%	18%	44%	10%	3%	5%	124
40 to 60....	43%	20%	7%	6%	3%	23%	43%	8%	4%	2%	111
60 & over...	8%	9%	1%	4%	1%	5%	2%	5%		11%	23
refused.....		100%				100%					1
EDUC3											
HS & less...	25%	25%	6%	2%	1%	11%	26%	11%	2%	8%	90
2yr+some....	29%	24%	4%	6%	2%	17%	36%	6%	4%	2%	79
coll+post...	40%	25%	4%	2%	1%	23%	37%	7%	2%	4%	90
INCOME4											
30K+less....	21%	24%	1%	4%		12%	27%	6%	3%	2%	44
30-50K.....	34%	24%	7%	6%	1%	21%	35%	8%	3%	5%	71
50K+over....	42%	28%	7%	1%	2%	25%	37%	12%	2%	4%	84
refused.....	24%	23%	3%	2%	2%	8%	31%	5%	2%	9%	60

n = 400	Job opportunities where you live					Your retirement security					TOTAL
	Very sat	some sat	Some dissa t	very dissa t	dk-na	Very sat	some sat	Some dissa t	very dissa t	dk-na	
ALL RESP....	15%	28%	12%	5%	4%	17%	26%	10%	7%	4%	259
gender											
Male.....	12%	34%	10%	5%	5%	20%	28%	8%	7%	4%	128
Female.....	18%	24%	13%	5%	2%	14%	24%	13%	7%	5%	131
AREA											
617 area....	21%	26%	7%		3%	15%	23%	9%	4%	4%	63
508 area....	13%	32%	11%	6%	5%	19%	26%	11%	7%	5%	145
413 area....	16%	21%	23%	9%	2%	14%	31%	11%	12%	3%	51
Ancestors											
African Am..	21%	15%	25%		7%	10%	23%		19%	15%	7
Asian Am....	8%	72%				13%	29%			39%	7
Hispanic....	36%	36%	9%	9%		16%	19%	36%		19%	11
European Am.	17%	30%	10%	6%	4%	19%	27%	10%	8%	3%	193
some else...	6%	16%	19%	3%	5%	10%	23%	12%	3%	1%	33
ns-dk.....	9%	31%	9%	11%	7%	8%	25%	16%	11%	7%	7
PARTY5											
democrat....	15%	21%	14%	5%	1%	12%	20%	14%	7%	4%	72
lean dem....	15%	31%	15%	8%	3%	14%	37%	7%	9%	5%	51
ind & other.	16%	35%	7%	5%	9%	22%	27%	12%	7%	3%	68
lean rep....	15%	28%	6%	4%	2%	24%	25%	2%	3%	2%	30
republican..	18%	32%	18%	2%	4%	16%	26%	13%	9%	8%	39
AGE3											
under 40....	21%	37%	15%	5%	2%	26%	32%	10%	5%	7%	124
40 to 60....	19%	33%	16%	8%	4%	17%	31%	18%	10%	3%	111
60 & over...	3%	11%	2%		7%	4%	10%	1%	6%	2%	23
refused.....				100%					100%		1
EDUC3											
HS & less...	9%	26%	11%	8%	6%	15%	21%	11%	7%	5%	90
2yr+some....	16%	30%	12%	7%		16%	27%	10%	9%	2%	79
coll+post...	23%	31%	13%	1%	5%	20%	30%	11%	6%	6%	90
INCOME4											
30K+less....	10%	23%	10%	6%	1%	10%	17%	8%	11%	4%	44
30-50K.....	20%	29%	13%	2%	8%	22%	26%	13%	7%	4%	71
50K+over....	20%	34%	12%	11%	3%	25%	32%	13%	7%	3%	84
refused.....	12%	27%	12%	2%	2%	10%	27%	7%	4%	7%	60

n = 400	Your income keeping up with prices					The amount of money that you save					TOTAL
	Very sat	some sat	Some dissa t	very dissa t	dk-na	Very sat	some sat	Some dissa t	very dissa t	dk-na	
ALL RESP....	12%	30%	14%	7%	2%	8%	26%	18%	10%	2%	259
gender											
Male.....	12%	36%	10%	7%	1%	8%	31%	14%	11%	3%	128
Female.....	12%	24%	18%	7%	2%	9%	22%	22%	8%	2%	131
AREA											
617 area....	9%	30%	14%	1%	2%	8%	26%	12%	9%	1%	63
508 area....	13%	30%	16%	6%	2%	8%	26%	21%	8%	4%	145
413 area....	15%	28%	9%	17%	1%	9%	27%	21%	15%		51
Ancestors											
African Am..	28%	15%	10%		15%	27%	16%	7%	17%		7
Asian Am....		62%	10%		8%		32%	10%		39%	7
Hispanic....	51%	30%		9%		16%	16%	49%	9%		11
European Am.	13%	31%	16%	7%	1%	9%	29%	17%	11%	2%	193
some else...	6%	22%	9%	10%	1%	3%	18%	20%	6%	1%	33
ns-dk.....		42%	18%		7%		26%	34%		7%	7
PARTY5											
democrat....	9%	24%	12%	8%	4%	7%	15%	20%	13%	1%	72
lean dem....	8%	39%	17%	6%	1%	9%	36%	17%	7%	2%	51
ind & other.	14%	28%	20%	6%	2%	6%	31%	20%	11%	2%	68
lean rep....	14%	34%	5%	4%		8%	33%	12%	4%		30
republican..	21%	30%	13%	9%		14%	25%	17%	8%	8%	39
AGE3											
under 40....	19%	37%	13%	7%	3%	12%	30%	24%	11%	3%	124
40 to 60....	14%	34%	20%	9%	2%	9%	33%	22%	12%	2%	111
60 & over...	1%	13%	5%	3%	1%	2%	12%	3%	5%	2%	23
refused.....			100%					100%			1
EDUC3											
HS & less...	8%	26%	14%	9%	2%	2%	25%	20%	9%	3%	90
2yr+some....	11%	33%	14%	6%	1%	11%	23%	17%	11%	2%	79
coll+post...	19%	30%	14%	5%	3%	12%	31%	18%	9%	2%	90
INCOME4											
30K+less....	8%	23%	9%	8%	1%	5%	18%	11%	13%	2%	44
30-50K.....	15%	35%	13%	6%	3%	8%	29%	22%	11%	1%	71
50K+over....	18%	32%	23%	6%	1%	12%	34%	22%	11%	1%	84
refused.....	8%	28%	9%	7%	2%	6%	23%	17%	3%	6%	60

n = 400	Health care coverage for you and your family					TOTAL
	Very sat	some sat	Some dissa t	very dissa t	dk-na	
ALL RESP....	27%	24%	6%	5%	2%	259
gender						
Male.....	29%	21%	9%	5%	2%	128
Female.....	25%	28%	3%	5%	2%	131
AREA						
617 area....	31%	13%	7%	2%	2%	63
508 area....	27%	26%	5%	6%	3%	145
413 area....	20%	36%	7%	7%		51
Ancestors						
African Am..	42%	18%		8%		7
Asian Am....	21%	59%				7
Hispanic....	22%	27%	13%	28%		11
European Am.	30%	23%	6%	5%	3%	193
some else...	14%	27%	7%	1%		33
ns-dk.....	25%	24%		11%	7%	7
PARTY5						
democrat....	19%	23%	7%	4%	4%	72
lean dem....	42%	19%	5%	6%		51
ind & other.	21%	31%	9%	8%	2%	68
lean rep....	41%	14%	1%			30
republican..	25%	34%	5%	5%	3%	39
AGE3						
under 40....	38%	30%	4%	4%	3%	124
40 to 60....	31%	31%	10%	5%	2%	111
60 & over...	6%	6%	4%	4%	2%	23
refused.....				100%		1
EDUC3						
HS & less...	17%	27%	8%	5%	2%	90
2yr+some....	29%	23%	5%	5%	2%	79
coll+post...	38%	22%	5%	5%	2%	90
INCOME4						
30K+less....	20%	9%	7%	11%	3%	44
30-50K.....	29%	28%	8%	4%	2%	71
50K+over....	40%	31%	5%	3%	1%	84
refused.....	19%	27%	4%	2%	2%	60

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS

Fifty-six percent of the state's electorate gives a positive rating to the overall quality of the education that is provided by the five campuses of the University of Massachusetts. Eight percent give its quality a negative rating. The other 36 percent volunteer that they either don't know or have no opinion.

Respondents were asked if the University's four undergraduate campuses should each set its own course requirements or if all four should require students to take the same courses to earn a given degree. Forty-six percent opt for University-wide course requirements, 29 percent say each campus should set its own course requirements; 25 percent say they do not know or are not sure.

Further, 32 percent of those surveyed say they agree with this statement: "The quality of education at the five campuses of the University of Massachusetts system has improved over the last year." Seven percent say that they disagree. Sixty-one percent volunteer that they do not know or have no opinion. The results are statistically the same as the Fall 1996 survey results.

Finally, 18 percent of the electorate has a great deal of confidence in the people in charge of running the five campuses of the University of Massachusetts, 39 percent has some confidence and eight percent say it has hardly any. Thirty-five percent volunteer that they have no opinion or don't know. (CROSSTABS FOLLOW)

n = 400	know about the UM					TOTAL
	great deal	quite bit	somet hing	pract nthng	dk-ns	
ALL RESP....	9%	13%	39%	38%	2%	400
gender						
Male.....	9%	16%	37%	36%	2%	193
Female.....	8%	10%	41%	39%	2%	208
AREA						
617 area....	11%	8%	42%	37%	2%	113
508 area....	8%	13%	39%	39%	2%	215
413 area....	9%	20%	34%	36%	2%	72
Ancestors						
African Am..	7%	26%	34%	34%		11
Asian Am....	11%	8%	19%	62%		9
Hispanic....	7%	16%	14%	63%		12
European Am.	9%	12%	42%	35%	2%	289
some else...	7%	16%	34%	43%	1%	69
ns-dk.....			62%	38%		11
PARTY5						
democrat....	6%	13%	42%	37%	2%	126
lean dem....	15%	13%	38%	34%		70
ind & other.	8%	12%	33%	44%	3%	97
lean rep....	7%	13%	41%	38%		53
republican..	8%	13%	43%	34%	2%	54
AGE3						
under 40....	9%	16%	40%	35%		156
40 to 60....	9%	13%	34%	42%	1%	141
60 & over...	7%	7%	44%	36%	5%	102
refused.....			100%			1
EDUC3						
HS & less...	2%	8%	34%	55%	2%	154
2yr+some....	10%	18%	39%	32%	1%	122
coll+post...	16%	14%	46%	22%	1%	124
INCOME4						
30K+less....	6%	17%	35%	41%	1%	89
30-50K.....	7%	15%	40%	38%		99
50K+over....	12%	13%	40%	34%	1%	104
refused.....	9%	7%	40%	39%	5%	108

n = 400	rate the overall quality of UM						should each campus decide courses?			TOTAL
	excellent	very good	good	fair	poor	no op-dk	decide own	same courses	dk-ns	
ALL RESP....	10%	26%	20%	6%	2%	36%	29%	46%	25%	400
gender										
Male.....	11%	23%	23%	7%	3%	34%	31%	43%	26%	193
Female.....	10%	28%	18%	5%	1%	38%	27%	48%	25%	208
AREA										
617 area....	8%	23%	21%	6%	1%	42%	28%	47%	25%	113
508 area....	8%	29%	19%	6%	2%	36%	26%	48%	25%	215
413 area....	20%	20%	26%	4%	2%	28%	39%	36%	26%	72
Ancestors										
African Am..	17%	23%	35%	10%		15%	34%	31%	36%	11
Asian Am....	10%	11%	8%			70%	34%	19%	47%	9
Hispanic....	9%	15%	16%	6%	7%	47%	26%	37%	38%	12
European Am.	9%	27%	21%	5%	2%	35%	28%	50%	22%	289
some else...	16%	25%	18%	7%	1%	32%	33%	38%	30%	69
ns-dk.....		19%	16%			65%	34%	26%	40%	11
PARTY5										
democrat....	14%	28%	21%	5%	1%	31%	31%	45%	25%	126
lean dem....	16%	30%	15%	3%	1%	35%	30%	47%	23%	70
ind & other.	10%	21%	18%	6%	6%	39%	25%	50%	24%	97
lean rep....	7%	23%	26%	5%		40%	34%	44%	22%	53
republican..		25%	24%	11%		41%	25%	40%	35%	54
AGE3										
under 40....	10%	25%	23%	6%	1%	35%	30%	47%	23%	156
40 to 60....	13%	23%	23%	6%	3%	33%	30%	42%	27%	141
60 & over...	8%	31%	14%	5%	2%	40%	26%	48%	26%	102
refused.....						100%	100%			1
EDUC3										
HS & less...	11%	21%	18%	5%	1%	44%	32%	40%	29%	154
2yr+some....	11%	28%	20%	8%	3%	30%	29%	48%	23%	122
coll+post...	10%	28%	24%	4%	2%	32%	26%	51%	23%	124
INCOME4										
30K+less....	12%	23%	16%	6%	3%	40%	29%	36%	35%	89
30-50K.....	8%	32%	23%	3%		34%	28%	52%	20%	99
50K+over....	9%	31%	25%	6%	3%	27%	32%	49%	20%	104
refused.....	13%	17%	17%	7%	2%	44%	28%	45%	28%	108

n = 400	Quality of educ improved last year			Confidence in people running UM					TOTAL
	agree	disagree	no op-dk	great deal	some	hardly any	no op-dk	refused	
ALL RESP....	32%	7%	61%	18%	39%	8%	35%	1%	400
gender									
Male.....	32%	9%	59%	19%	41%	7%	32%	0%	193
Female.....	33%	5%	62%	17%	36%	8%	38%	1%	208
AREA									
617 area....	24%	5%	70%	12%	37%	11%	39%	2%	113
508 area....	32%	8%	60%	19%	38%	7%	36%		215
413 area....	46%	7%	47%	24%	43%	6%	26%	1%	72
Ancestors									
African Am..	17%	15%	67%	15%	53%	8%	25%		11
Asian Am....	19%		81%	43%			57%		9
Hispanic....	44%	25%	31%	16%	59%	7%	19%		12
European Am.	32%	7%	62%	16%	40%	9%	34%	1%	289
some else...	39%	6%	55%	24%	33%	6%	36%	1%	69
ns-dk.....	23%		77%	11%	23%		67%		11
PARTY5									
democrat....	39%	6%	55%	21%	38%	8%	32%	1%	126
lean dem....	29%	7%	63%	25%	35%	6%	34%		70
ind & other.	31%	10%	59%	12%	42%	7%	39%		97
lean rep....	28%	6%	66%	19%	36%	13%	29%	3%	53
republican..	27%	4%	69%	9%	41%	7%	43%		54
AGE3									
under 40....	35%	5%	60%	16%	43%	3%	37%	1%	156
40 to 60....	30%	9%	61%	20%	37%	9%	34%		141
60 & over...	32%	7%	61%	17%	34%	15%	33%	1%	102
refused.....			100%				100%		1
EDUC3									
HS & less...	31%	8%	62%	17%	34%	8%	42%		154
2yr+some....	37%	6%	57%	20%	39%	10%	30%	1%	122
coll+post...	29%	7%	63%	16%	44%	7%	32%	1%	124
INCOME4									
30K+less....	36%	8%	56%	16%	38%	9%	36%	1%	89
30-50K.....	27%	4%	69%	14%	44%	4%	38%		99
50K+over....	32%	11%	57%	18%	39%	9%	34%		104
refused.....	35%	4%	61%	22%	33%	10%	33%	1%	108

CHARTER SCHOOLS

Twenty-six percent of the survey respondents are parents with at least one child under age 18 attending public schools in state. Asked if they have heard or read something about charter schools, 57 percent of these parents, or 15 percent of all of the respondents to the survey, say that they have.

Of the public school parents who have heard or read about such schools, 54 percent, or eight percent of all respondents, say they favor them. Twenty percent, or three percent of all respondents, oppose them. Twenty-six percent, or four percent of all respondents, are not sure or do not know.

The public school parents who have heard or read about charter schools were then asked to consider two different views of the likely effect of such schools. **Fifty-six percent of these parents, or eight percent of all respondents, say charter schools will make public schools better by providing competition for them. Twenty-three percent, or three percent of all respondents, say they will take tax dollars and good students out of the public schools.** (CROSSTABS FOLLOW)

n = 400	kids under 18 attending public schools?		read or heard about Charter Schools?					TOTAL
	yes	no	great deal	quite bit	know some	pract nthng	dk-not sure	
ALL RESP....	26%	74%	3%	4%	8%	10%	1%	105
gender								
Male.....	24%	76%	1%	5%	5%	11%	1%	46
Female.....	28%	72%	5%	3%	10%	9%	1%	58
AREA								
617 area....	18%	82%	2%	3%	2%	10%	1%	21
508 area....	28%	72%	5%	3%	8%	10%	2%	60
413 area....	33%	67%	2%	8%	15%	8%	1%	24
Ancestors								
African Am..	52%	48%	25%	10%	8%	8%		6
Asian Am....	47%	53%				47%		4
Hispanic....	52%	48%	28%	9%	14%			6
European Am.	23%	77%	2%	3%	7%	9%	2%	66
some else...	30%	70%	1%	6%	11%	11%	1%	20
ns-dk.....	16%	84%		9%	7%			2
PARTY5								
democrat....	26%	74%	3%	3%	7%	9%	4%	33
lean dem....	37%	63%	4%	4%	14%	15%		26
ind & other.	20%	80%	5%	2%	4%	8%		19
lean rep....	16%	84%	2%	1%	7%	4%	1%	9
republican..	34%	66%		12%	6%	15%		18
AGE3								
under 40....	40%	60%	3%	6%	11%	17%	2%	63
40 to 60....	28%	72%	6%	3%	9%	9%	1%	39
60 & over...	3%	97%		2%		1%		3
refused.....		100%						
EDUC3								
HS & less...	27%	73%	5%	5%	5%	11%	2%	42
2yr+some....	25%	75%	2%	2%	9%	10%	1%	30
coll+post...	27%	73%	3%	5%	9%	8%	1%	33
INCOME4								
30K+less....	19%	81%	7%	4%		6%	2%	17
30-50K.....	26%	74%	4%	3%	7%	11%	1%	25
50K+over....	34%	66%	2%	6%	14%	11%	3%	36
refused.....	24%	76%	1%	4%	8%	12%		26

n = 400	favor or oppose Charter Schools?'				tax dollars or competition						TOTAL
	favor	oppose	not sure	dk	take tax	make better	both	neither	depends	ns-dk	
ALL RESP....	8%	3%	2%	2%	3%	8%	0%	0%	1%	2%	59
gender											
Male.....	7%	1%	1%	2%	2%	7%	1%	0%	1%	1%	22
Female.....	9%	4%	2%	2%	5%	10%		0%		3%	37
AREA											
617 area....	4%	2%	2%		2%	4%		1%			8
508 area....	9%	2%	1%	4%	3%	9%	0%	0%	1%	2%	34
413 area....	12%	9%	3%	1%	6%	12%			2%	5%	17
Ancestors											
African Am..	43%				7%	36%					5
Hispanic....	17%		6%	28%	8%	38%		6%			6
European Am.	6%	2%	1%	2%	3%	7%	0%	0%	0%	1%	34
some else...	8%	8%	2%		2%	7%			3%	5%	12
ns-dk.....	9%	7%			16%						2
PARTY5											
democrat....	7%	5%	1%		4%	6%		1%		3%	17
lean dem....	13%	2%	3%	4%	5%	15%			1%	1%	16
ind & other.	3%	3%	1%	5%	2%	6%			1%	2%	11
lean rep....	7%		2%	2%	4%	4%	2%		1%		6
republican..	14%	2%	2%	2%	4%	14%		2%			10
AGE3											
under 40....	13%	4%	3%	2%	4%	11%	1%	0%	1%	4%	33
40 to 60....	8%	4%	1%	4%	5%	11%		1%	1%	1%	25
60 & over...	1%	1%			1%	1%					2
EDUC3											
HS & less...	7%	3%	1%	4%		11%			1%	3%	22
2yr+some....	9%	2%	1%	1%	3%	9%		1%		1%	16
coll+post...	9%	4%	3%	1%	8%	5%	1%	1%	1%	1%	22
INCOME4											
30K+less....	6%		1%	4%	1%	10%					10
30-50K.....	9%	2%	1%	3%	3%	8%			1%	2%	14
50K+over....	13%	4%	3%	1%	7%	10%	1%	2%	2%		22
refused.....	4%	5%	1%	2%	2%	5%				5%	13

BIG DIG

Seventy-five percent of the electorate say they know something about the "Big Dig" -- the project to move Central Artery, a stretch of Interstate 93, into a tunnel under Boston's downtown. These 75 percent were given three reasons for the project and asked to pick which one, if any, they think is the best.

Forty-six percent of those who know about the project, or 34 percent of all the respondents, say the best reason for undertaking the project is that it will improve access by car to Logan Airport and downtown Boston. Fifteen percent of those who know, or ll percent of all respondents, say it will better the quality of life in Boston by making it easier for people to get to the waterfront. And 12.5 percent, or 9 percent of all respondents, say it will produce economic benefits once it is completed.

Twelve percent of those who know, or nine percent of all respondents, volunteer that they view none of these reasons as good ones or oppose the project; 8 percent of those who know, or 6 percent of all respondents, volunteer that all the reasons are good ones; and 6 percent of those who know, or 5 percent of all respondents, volunteer that they don't know.

Sixty-seven percent of those who know, or 50 percent of all respondents, think that if the federal government should pay less of its current share of the project's cost, the state should try to find a way to finish it. Twenty-three percent, or 17 percent of all respondents, oppose the idea. Seven percent, or 5 percent of all respondents, volunteer a maybe or that it depends. Four percent, or 3 percent of all respondents, are not sure or do not know.

Of those who answer yes or maybe or it depends, 79 percent say that the state should finish the Big Dig even if the it has to come up with more money to pay for it. This 79 percent is 43 percent of all respondents. Eight percent of those who say yes or maybe or it depends, or 5 percent of all respondents, say the state should not finish the project on these terms. Similar percentages respond to this possibility with a maybe or an it depends. Four percent, or 2 percent of all respondents, say they are not sure or do not know. (CROSSTABS FOLLOW)

n = 400	read or heard about the Big Dig?					Best reason for building Big Dig?						TOTAL
	great deal	quite bit	know some	pract nthng	dk-ns	econ benes	quality life	car access	opposed	all	dk	
ALL RESP....	19%	25%	31%	24%	1%	9%	11%	34%	9%	6%	5%	299
gender												
Male.....	22%	26%	32%	19%	1%	10%	11%	33%	12%	8%	6%	155
Female.....	16%	23%	30%	29%	1%	9%	12%	35%	6%	5%	3%	144
AREA												
617 area....	24%	28%	29%	18%	1%	13%	13%	40%	6%	5%	3%	91
508 area....	21%	27%	32%	20%	1%	9%	12%	35%	10%	8%	5%	170
413 area....	6%	13%	34%	45%	1%	6%	5%	23%	10%	4%	6%	39
Ancestors												
African Am..	36%	15%	23%	26%			10%	55%		9%		8
Asian Am....	11%	10%	13%	66%		10%	11%	13%				3
Hispanic....	6%	22%	15%	57%		9%	15%	13%	6%			5
European Am.	22%	25%	33%	20%	1%	9%	13%	33%	11%	7%	6%	229
some else...	10%	22%	33%	30%	4%	6%	3%	43%	6%	6%	2%	45
ns-dk.....	7%	55%	15%	23%		34%	17%	19%			7%	8
PARTY5												
democrat....	15%	26%	29%	27%	3%	7%	17%	31%	6%	6%	3%	88
lean dem....	20%	33%	30%	16%	1%	10%	13%	41%	7%	8%	4%	58
ind & other.	19%	12%	40%	29%		7%	8%	25%	14%	8%	9%	69
lean rep....	16%	37%	30%	18%		12%	5%	51%	8%	3%	3%	44
republican..	30%	22%	23%	25%		14%	9%	33%	12%	5%	1%	40
AGE3												
under 40....	16%	22%	30%	30%	2%	9%	11%	31%	6%	9%	2%	106
40 to 60....	18%	26%	34%	23%		10%	14%	38%	4%	6%	5%	109
60 & over...	26%	26%	29%	17%	2%	7%	9%	33%	20%	4%	8%	83
refused.....		100%				100%						1
EDUC3												
HS & less...	11%	23%	34%	32%	1%	8%	7%	27%	14%	6%	6%	103
2yr+some....	17%	24%	35%	21%	3%	12%	9%	38%	7%	7%	4%	93
coll+post...	31%	27%	24%	17%		9%	19%	39%	5%	6%	4%	103
INCOME4												
30K+less....	15%	18%	37%	27%	2%	3%	14%	29%	15%	4%	6%	63
30-50K.....	21%	24%	30%	24%	1%	12%	7%	37%	8%	9%	2%	74
50K+over....	23%	21%	38%	17%	1%	9%	16%	35%	9%	8%	6%	86
refused.....	17%	33%	20%	28%	1%	12%	9%	35%	6%	4%	5%	77

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n = 400	State gov complete project?				State finish proj with more money?				TOTAL
	Yes	depends	no	ns-dk	yes	no	depends	ns-dk	
ALL RESP....	50%	5%	17%	3%	43%	5%	5%	2%	220
gender									
Male.....	50%	7%	22%	2%	46%	4%	4%	2%	109
Female.....	51%	3%	12%	4%	41%	5%	6%	2%	111
AREA									
617 area....	60%	3%	17%	1%	56%	2%	3%	3%	71
508 area....	50%	6%	18%	4%	42%	7%	5%	2%	121
413 area....	36%	3%	12%	3%	28%	3%	6%	1%	28
Ancestors									
African Am..	74%				65%			9%	8
Asian Am....	21%	13%			34%				3
Hispanic....	31%		12%		24%			7%	4
European Am.	51%	6%	20%	3%	44%	5%	5%	3%	164
some else...	53%		8%	5%	42%	6%	5%		36
ns-dk.....	41%		29%	7%	31%		11%		4
PARTY5									
democrat....	55%	4%	7%	4%	48%	6%	2%	2%	74
lean dem....	62%	1%	17%	3%	54%	3%	4%	3%	45
ind & other.	32%	9%	27%	3%	24%	3%	10%	4%	40
lean rep....	56%	6%	15%	5%	51%	7%	4%		33
republican..	50%	3%	22%		45%	3%	3%	1%	28
AGE3									
under 40....	50%	3%	13%	2%	40%	5%	4%	4%	82
40 to 60....	50%	4%	21%	2%	45%	3%	6%	1%	76
60 & over...	51%	9%	16%	5%	46%	6%	5%	2%	61
refused.....			100%						
EDUC3									
HS & less...	38%	6%	20%	3%	35%	4%	4%	2%	67
2yr+some....	54%	2%	18%	2%	45%	6%	4%	2%	69
coll+post...	61%	6%	11%	4%	52%	4%	7%	3%	84
INCOME4									
30K+less....	47%	10%	12%	2%	39%	10%	6%	2%	50
30-50K.....	52%	2%	20%	2%	45%	3%	5%	1%	53
50K+over....	54%	5%	19%	4%	47%	3%	5%	3%	62
refused.....	47%	4%	16%	4%	41%	3%	4%	3%	55

HEALTH CARE

Asked to pick between two views of health care, 79 percent of the electorate say it should be available to people who need it but cannot pay for it, and ll percent say it should be like a product in a store: people only get it if they can pay for it. Seven percent volunteer that it depends, a few respondents reject both views, and 2.6 percent volunteer that they are not sure or do not know.

The share of self-identified Republicans who view health care as a product, 25 percent, is significantly higher than the share of self-identified Democrats who see it this way, 3 percent, just as the share of Republicans who think that it should go to people who cannot pay for it, 66 percent, is significantly lower than the share of Democrats who see it this way -- 89 percent.

Asked to pick between three ways of raising money to pay for the health care of state residents without health insurance who cannot afford to pay for themselves, 46 percent of the electorate say the state should use its general revenues. Seventeen percent pick a special tax on the income of most doctors, hospitals and other health care providers. Fourteen percent pick a small charge that hospitals and health insurance companies would add to the bills of patients and clients.

Fifty-two percent of those surveyed say that they belong to a health maintenance organization, or HMO. Forty-five percent say they don't. The rest do not know or are not sure.

Demographically, HMO membership varies somewhat by age and by level of education. Thirty-one percent of respondents who are 60 years old or older belong to HMOs. Roughly 60 percent of those under age 60 belong to them. Forty-one percent of those with a high school education or less belong to HMOs. Sixty percent of those with college or postgraduate degrees belong.

Fifty-three percent of the electorate say that HMOs should be regulated by the government. Thirty-three percent say that they should be subject to no government regulation. Fourteen percent are not sure or do not know.

Finally, the 67 percent of respondents who don't oppose government regulation of HMOs were asked if they think the government should regulate HMOs more, regulate them less, or leave regulations as they are. Forty-three percent choose more regulation, 5 percent choose less, 15 percent choose leaving things as they are, and 37 percent say they don't know much about the matter. (CROSSTABS FOLLOW)

n = 400	health care a product or a right?					how to pay for the health care?							TOTAL
	product	right	depends	neither	ns-dk	spec tax	state gov	Hosp-ins	neither	combo	some else	dk-ns	
ALL RESP....	11%	79%	7%	0%	3%	15%	41%	12%	5%	7%	3%	6%	357
gender													
Male.....	15%	74%	6%	1%	4%	15%	39%	12%	6%	7%	2%	4%	163
Female.....	7%	84%	7%		2%	16%	43%	13%	4%	6%	4%	7%	193
AREA													
617 area....	8%	83%	5%		4%	14%	42%	7%	4%	10%	4%	10%	103
508 area....	13%	77%	7%	0%	2%	14%	37%	17%	7%	6%	3%	4%	188
413 area....	9%	81%	8%	1%	2%	22%	51%	7%	2%	4%		5%	66
Ancestors													
African Am..		90%	10%			28%	49%	15%			9%		11
Asian Am....	39%	61%				8%	43%					10%	6
Hispanic....		100%				9%	38%	52%					12
European Am.	11%	78%	8%	0%	3%	15%	40%	13%	6%	8%	2%	5%	257
some else...	10%	81%	5%	1%	3%	18%	46%	5%	4%	5%	5%	8%	62
ns-dk.....	16%	77%			7%	20%	41%		17%			7%	9
PARTY5													
democrat....	3%	89%	7%		1%	18%	47%	17%	2%	4%	4%	6%	123
lean dem....	11%	85%	4%			21%	38%	10%	4%	7%	4%	5%	63
ind & other.	11%	77%	7%	1%	5%	13%	47%	9%	8%	6%	1%	7%	86
lean rep....	17%	67%	12%	2%	3%	8%	29%	14%	11%	16%	2%	4%	44
republican..	25%	66%	4%		5%	13%	34%	9%	5%	6%	2%	5%	40
AGE3													
under 40....	13%	80%	4%	1%	2%	14%	44%	11%	5%	5%	2%	5%	135
40 to 60....	9%	80%	8%	1%	3%	21%	42%	12%	5%	5%	3%	2%	128
60 & over...	10%	77%	10%		3%	8%	36%	14%	6%	11%	3%	12%	92
refused.....		100%				100%							1
EDUC3													
HS & less...	10%	77%	11%		2%	17%	35%	14%	6%	10%	2%	6%	139
2yr+some....	10%	82%	4%	1%	3%	18%	45%	11%	7%	5%	1%	4%	110
coll+post...	13%	79%	3%	1%	4%	11%	45%	11%	3%	5%	5%	6%	108
INCOME4													
30K+less....	7%	78%	10%		5%	15%	33%	23%	4%	7%	3%	8%	83
30-50K.....	7%	85%	6%	1%	1%	24%	49%	5%	6%	3%	1%	4%	92
50K+over....	16%	79%	5%		1%	14%	34%	13%	9%	7%	5%	2%	88
refused.....	13%	76%	6%	1%	4%	9%	47%	10%	2%	9%	2%	8%	94

n = 400	Member of a HMO?			HMOs regulated or no?			TOTAL
	yes	no	dk-ns	regu	no reg	ns-dk	
ALL RESP....	52%	45%	4%	53%	33%	14%	400
gender							
Male.....	53%	43%	4%	56%	36%	9%	193
Female.....	50%	46%	4%	50%	30%	20%	208
AREA							
617 area....	54%	44%	2%	50%	30%	19%	113
508 area....	53%	44%	3%	55%	34%	11%	215
413 area....	46%	47%	7%	51%	32%	17%	72
Ancestors							
African Am..	77%	23%		83%	7%	10%	11
Asian Am....	44%	47%	8%	70%	21%	8%	9
Hispanic....	53%	47%		34%	38%	28%	12
European Am.	54%	42%	4%	54%	33%	13%	289
some else...	42%	53%	5%	41%	37%	22%	69
ns-dk.....	33%	67%		61%	32%	7%	11
PARTY5							
democrat....	49%	46%	5%	55%	26%	19%	126
lean dem....	53%	46%	1%	55%	31%	14%	70
ind & other.	46%	46%	9%	54%	34%	12%	97
lean rep....	64%	36%		34%	47%	19%	53
republican..	54%	46%		61%	35%	4%	54
AGE3							
under 40....	58%	37%	5%	57%	30%	13%	156
40 to 60....	60%	38%	2%	51%	38%	11%	141
60 & over...	31%	65%	5%	48%	31%	21%	102
refused.....		100%		100%			1
EDUC3							
HS & less...	41%	53%	7%	41%	42%	17%	154
2yr+some....	57%	41%	2%	64%	25%	11%	122
coll+post...	60%	38%	2%	56%	29%	15%	124
INCOME4							
30K+less....	37%	58%	5%	47%	31%	22%	89
30-50K.....	50%	45%	5%	58%	32%	10%	99
50K+over....	74%	25%	1%	56%	32%	12%	104
refused.....	42%	52%	5%	50%	35%	15%	108

JANUARY, 1997, REGISTERED VOTERS, Q18

n = 400	govt regulate HMOs more or less?			
	more	less	leave	dk
ALL RESP....	29%	3%	10%	25%
gender				
Male.....	28%	5%	13%	19%
Female.....	30%	2%	7%	30%
AREA				
617 area....	31%	2%	9%	29%
508 area....	28%	4%	11%	22%
413 area....	30%	3%	9%	26%
Ancestors				
African Am..	35%	10%	15%	33%
Asian Am....	10%	39%	11%	19%
Hispanic....	13%			49%
European Am.	30%	3%	11%	24%
some else...	33%	2%	8%	21%
ns-dk.....	24%			44%
PARTY5				
democrat....	30%	3%	12%	29%
lean dem....	32%	4%	12%	21%
ind & other.	34%	2%	7%	23%
lean rep....	13%	1%	8%	30%
republican..	32%	8%	8%	17%
AGE3				
under 40....	31%	5%	14%	20%
40 to 60....	28%	3%	7%	24%
60 & over...	28%	1%	8%	31%
refused.....				100%
EDUC3				
HS & less...	21%	6%	7%	24%
2yr+some....	40%	1%	9%	26%
coll+post...	29%	3%	15%	24%
INCOME4				
30K+less....	21%	4%	8%	36%
30-50K.....	36%	2%	11%	19%
50K+over....	27%	2%	14%	25%
refused.....	32%	6%	7%	21%

ELECTORAL POLITICS

Eighty-two percent of the respondents say they voted in the November election for United States Senator and 17 percent say they didn't.

Of those who say they voted, 43 percent say they voted for the winning candidate, the incumbent John Kerry, and 39.7 percent say they voted for Governor William Weld.

Of those who say they voted for Kerry, 18 percent say that they did it because they wanted to keep Weld in office as Governor. Eighty-one percent of Kerry voters say this doesn't describe their decision to vote for the Senator.

Asked if Weld should change his mind and seek a third term as Governor, 56 percent of all respondents say yes, 26 percent say no, 9 percent volunteer a maybe or it depends, and the other 9 percent do not know or are not sure.

Asked how Weld's position as a national co-chairman of the term limits movement would affect their view of whether he should seek a third term -- thus going beyond the two-term limit that the movement recommends -- 6l percent say it makes no difference. Eighteen percent say it makes them less likely to favor his seeking a third term; l5 percent say it makes them more likely to favor it. The other 6 percent volunteer that they are not sure or do not know.

Asked about the argument that Weld should run for a third term so that the Democratic Party cannot dominate all the elected offices in the state, 12 percent say this argument makes them less likely to favor his running, 21 percent say it makes them more likely to favor it, and 60 percent say it makes no difference. The remaining 7 percent volunteer that they are not sure or do not know. (CROSSTABS FOLLOW)

JANUARY, 1997, REGISTERED VOTERS, Q30, Q31

n = 400	Vote in election for US Senator			voted Kerry or Weld?			TOTAL
	yes	no	ns-du-dk	Kerry	Weld	ns-dk	
ALL RESP....	82%	17%	1%	35%	33%	14%	328
gender							
Male.....	86%	14%	0%	33%	36%	16%	165
Female.....	79%	20%	1%	37%	29%	12%	163
AREA							
617 area....	84%	15%	1%	40%	28%	16%	95
508 area....	81%	18%	1%	33%	34%	14%	174
413 area....	82%	18%		34%	36%	12%	59
Ancestors							
African Am..	71%	29%		63%		8%	8
Asian Am....	40%	51%	8%	8%	21%	10%	4
Hispanic....	37%	63%		28%	9%		5
European Am.	84%	15%	1%	35%	33%	15%	242
some else...	87%	13%		39%	39%	9%	60
ns-dk.....	100%			25%	36%	39%	11
PARTY5							
democrat....	83%	16%	1%	55%	20%	8%	105
lean dem....	87%	11%	2%	55%	18%	14%	61
ind & other.	76%	22%	2%	23%	25%	29%	73
lean rep....	90%	10%		8%	75%	7%	48
republican..	75%	25%		12%	53%	10%	40
AGE3							
under 40....	77%	23%		30%	35%	13%	120
40 to 60....	82%	17%	1%	39%	30%	13%	115
60 & over...	90%	8%	2%	40%	32%	18%	92
refused.....	100%				100%		1
EDUC3							
HS & less...	75%	23%	2%	29%	31%	16%	116
2yr+some....	84%	16%		38%	35%	11%	103
coll+post...	88%	11%	1%	41%	32%	15%	110
INCOME4							
30K+less....	74%	23%	3%	38%	26%	11%	66
30-50K.....	82%	18%		43%	27%	12%	81
50K+over....	85%	15%		36%	41%	8%	89
refused.....	85%	14%	1%	26%	35%	24%	92

n = 400	Vote Kerry to keep Weld as Gov?			should Weld seek a third term				TOTAL
	yes	no	ns-dk	yes	no	depends	dk-ns	
ALL RESP....	6%	29%	0%	56%	26%	9%	9%	400
gender								
Male.....	5%	27%	1%	54%	27%	9%	10%	193
Female.....	7%	30%		58%	24%	9%	9%	208
AREA								
617 area....	9%	30%	1%	60%	23%	8%	8%	113
508 area....	4%	29%		50%	30%	10%	9%	215
413 area....	9%	25%		66%	18%	6%	10%	72
Ancestors								
African Am..	26%	37%		54%	31%	8%	8%	11
Asian Am....	8%			32%	11%		57%	9
Hispanic....	14%	14%		36%	48%	7%	9%	12
European Am.	6%	29%	0%	56%	27%	10%	8%	289
some else...	3%	36%		65%	18%	10%	7%	69
ns-dk.....	7%	18%		35%	36%		29%	11
PARTY5								
democrat....	9%	45%	1%	50%	33%	7%	10%	126
lean dem....	8%	48%		50%	25%	17%	7%	70
ind & other.	6%	17%		51%	31%	8%	11%	97
lean rep....	2%	7%		71%	15%	10%	5%	53
republican..	4%	8%		71%	11%	7%	11%	54
AGE3								
under 40....	7%	22%		59%	21%	8%	12%	156
40 to 60....	5%	34%		52%	33%	9%	7%	141
60 & over...	6%	32%	1%	57%	24%	11%	8%	102
refused.....				100%				1
EDUC3								
HS & less...	5%	23%	1%	56%	27%	7%	10%	154
2yr+some....	7%	31%		56%	24%	11%	9%	122
coll+post...	8%	33%		56%	25%	11%	8%	124
INCOME4								
30K+less....	6%	31%	1%	49%	33%	10%	8%	89
30-50K.....	6%	36%		53%	29%	9%	10%	99
50K+over....	4%	32%		63%	24%	6%	8%	104
refused.....	9%	17%		58%	19%	12%	11%	108

JANUARY, 1997, REGISTERED VOTERS, Q34, Q35

n = 400	Should Weld stick to the two term limit				a third term to keep out Dems?				TOTAL
	less	more	no diff	ns-dk	less	more	no diff	ns-dk	
ALL RESP....	18%	15%	61%	6%	12%	21%	60%	7%	400
gender									
Male.....	19%	13%	62%	6%	12%	23%	57%	8%	193
Female.....	17%	17%	60%	5%	12%	19%	63%	6%	208
AREA									
617 area....	20%	17%	58%	5%	10%	25%	57%	8%	113
508 area....	18%	14%	62%	6%	15%	18%	60%	7%	215
413 area....	15%	16%	64%	5%	8%	25%	62%	4%	72
Ancestors									
African Am..	17%	29%	46%	8%	7%	21%	64%	8%	11
Asian Am....	19%		72%	8%			92%	8%	9
Hispanic....	12%	7%	81%		6%	9%	75%	9%	12
European Am.	19%	15%	60%	6%	12%	22%	58%	7%	289
some else...	15%	19%	65%	1%	13%	24%	62%	1%	69
ns-dk.....	25%	9%	37%	29%	27%		44%	29%	11
PARTY5									
democrat....	17%	21%	56%	6%	18%	16%	61%	5%	126
lean dem....	17%	11%	66%	6%	19%	7%	63%	10%	70
ind & other.	19%	9%	63%	9%	6%	11%	73%	11%	97
lean rep....	17%	16%	64%	3%	5%	54%	36%	5%	53
republican..	19%	17%	61%	3%	8%	38%	52%	2%	54
AGE3									
under 40....	18%	15%	61%	6%	10%	17%	64%	9%	156
40 to 60....	21%	9%	65%	5%	16%	19%	60%	5%	141
60 & over...	13%	25%	55%	7%	10%	30%	53%	7%	102
refused.....			100%				100%		1
EDUC3									
HS & less...	15%	20%	60%	5%	12%	23%	57%	8%	154
2yr+some....	18%	13%	64%	5%	11%	21%	62%	6%	122
coll+post...	22%	12%	59%	7%	14%	19%	60%	6%	124
INCOME4									
30K+less....	18%	16%	62%	4%	14%	21%	61%	4%	89
30-50K.....	29%	10%	53%	8%	19%	21%	53%	6%	99
50K+over....	16%	11%	70%	3%	7%	23%	65%	6%	104
refused.....	9%	24%	59%	8%	10%	20%	59%	11%	108

SPORTS STADIUM

Ninety percent of the statewide electorate has read or heard about the possibility of building a new sports stadium in Boston.

Seventy-one percent of the electorate are opposed to using taxpayer money to help pay for such a stadium. Twenty-two percent favor the use of tax money. Four percent volunteer that it depends, and 3 percent are not sure or do not know.

Of the 311 respondents who do not favor the use of tax money for the stadium, 75 percent say they would oppose its use even if this way the only way to keep the Patriots from leaving New England. Eighteen percent of these 311 say they would support the use of tax money in order to keep the Patriots here. Seven percent of them say they are not sure or do not know.

These results are almost identical to the the exact same question which was asked two years ago. (CROSSTABS FOLLOW)

n = 400	read heard about sport stadium?					use taxfor a new sports stadium?				TOTAL
	great deal	quite bit	littl e	pract nthng	dk	favor	oppos e	depen ds	ns-dk	
ALL RESP....	30%	30%	30%	8%	1%	22%	71%	4%	3%	400
gender										
Male.....	34%	35%	25%	6%		25%	69%	3%	2%	193
Female.....	27%	26%	35%	11%	2%	20%	72%	4%	4%	208
AREA										
617 area....	42%	33%	23%	2%		24%	71%	2%	2%	113
508 area....	30%	32%	30%	7%	1%	24%	67%	4%	4%	215
413 area....	13%	20%	42%	22%	3%	14%	80%	5%	2%	72
Ancestors										
African Am..	57%	25%	18%			9%	58%	15%	18%	11
Asian Am....	11%	34%	56%			8%	53%		39%	9
Hispanic....	16%	6%	49%	28%			72%		28%	12
European Am.	31%	31%	28%	9%	1%	25%	71%	3%	1%	289
some else...	33%	31%	29%	5%	1%	21%	73%	5%	1%	69
ns-dk.....		33%	51%	16%		17%	76%		7%	11
PARTY5										
democrat....	29%	33%	29%	9%		25%	71%	3%	2%	126
lean dem....	37%	25%	31%	4%	3%	25%	71%	1%	3%	70
ind & other.	32%	27%	27%	13%		18%	72%	6%	4%	97
lean rep....	27%	44%	24%	3%	2%	24%	68%	5%	3%	53
republican..	26%	21%	44%	9%		20%	71%	3%	6%	54
AGE3										
under 40....	29%	26%	33%	11%	1%	26%	65%	5%	4%	156
40 to 60....	32%	26%	32%	10%		26%	68%	2%	4%	141
60 & over...	31%	41%	23%	4%	1%	12%	83%	4%	2%	102
refused.....		100%					100%			1
EDUC3										
HS & less...	28%	29%	36%	5%	2%	15%	77%	2%	5%	154
2yr+some....	31%	32%	27%	9%	1%	29%	66%	3%	2%	122
coll+post...	33%	30%	26%	11%		25%	67%	6%	2%	124
INCOME4										
30K+less....	19%	33%	31%	15%	1%	13%	79%	2%	6%	89
30-50K.....	37%	30%	26%	5%	1%	28%	70%	2%		99
50K+over....	31%	32%	32%	4%	1%	30%	63%	5%	2%	104
refused.....	32%	26%	31%	10%		17%	73%	5%	6%	108

n = 400	support if only way keep Patriots?			regis tered voter ?	TOTAL
	yes	no	dk-ns	yes	
ALL RESP....	14%	58%	5%	100%	400
gender					
Male.....	11%	60%	4%	100%	193
Female.....	17%	57%	6%	100%	208
AREA					
617 area....	15%	55%	6%	100%	113
508 area....	12%	59%	5%	100%	215
413 area....	18%	63%	6%	100%	72
Ancestors					
African Am..	44%	32%	15%	100%	11
Asian Am....	10%	81%		100%	9
Hispanic....	22%	78%		100%	12
European Am.	12%	59%	4%	100%	289
some else...	16%	55%	7%	100%	69
ns-dk.....	11%	58%	14%	100%	11
PARTY5					
democrat....	17%	54%	4%	100%	126
lean dem....	8%	59%	8%	100%	70
ind & other.	12%	64%	6%	100%	97
lean rep....	21%	52%	3%	100%	53
republican..	10%	65%	5%	100%	54
AGE3					
under 40....	18%	51%	5%	100%	156
40 to 60....	13%	57%	4%	100%	141
60 & over...	10%	71%	7%	100%	102
refused.....		100%		100%	1
EDUC3					
HS & less...	15%	65%	5%	100%	154
2yr+some....	13%	53%	5%	100%	122
coll+post...	14%	55%	6%	100%	124
INCOME4					
30K+less....	17%	66%	4%	100%	89
30-50K.....	13%	56%	3%	100%	99
50K+over....	16%	51%	3%	100%	104
refused.....	10%	62%	11%	100%	108

GENDER AND WELFARE REFORM

The survey reveals some important but often overlooked details about how residents in the Commonwealth feel about welfare and welfare reform. The results show:

- The majority of both men and women feel homelessness, domestic violence, lack of child support and having young children at home are valid reasons for a woman to receive public assistance.

- 78 percent of women and 71 percent of men feel homelessness is a valid reason.

- 63 percent of women and 57 percent of men feel domestic violence/physical abuse are valid reasons.

- 55 percent of women and 58 percent of men feel that being divorced or separated with a lack of child support is a valid reason.

- 55 percent of women and 58 percent of men feel having young children at home is a valid reason.

Economic insecurity is a significant factor in determining whether Massachusetts residents support a woman's need for welfare and women are most sensitive to the problem of economic insecurity.

- 54 percent of women compared to 44 percent of men agreed that the lack of access to a job paying decent wages is a valid reason to receive welfare.

- Three quarters of men who make $50,000 or more agree that homelessness is a valid reason for a women to receive welfare; two-thirds of women and the majority of men in this income group feel domestic violence, lack of child support and young children at home are reasons to offer welfare.

- When asked if women who receive welfare should be forced to work instead of receiving welfare, only 41 percent of women and 47 percent of men agreed.

- When asked if women who receive welfare should do community service or work in exchange for receiving welfare benefits, 79 percent of women and 75 percent of men agreed. (CROSSTABS FOLLOW)

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Homelessness			TOTAL
agree	disagree	ns-dk	
73%	16%	11%	400
72%	17%	11%	193
74%	15%	11%	208
72%	12%	17%	113
75%	15%	10%	215
69%	24%	8%	72
75%	25%		11
100%			9
91%	9%		12
73%	16%	11%	289
71%	16%	13%	69
51%	24%	25%	11
85%	8%	7%	126
75%	11%	15%	70
71%	18%	11%	97
59%	20%	22%	53
61%	32%	7%	54
77%	15%	8%	156
80%	13%	6%	141
56%	21%	23%	102
100%			1
65%	20%	15%	154
77%	14%	9%	122
79%	13%	9%	124
71%	15%	14%	89
75%	14%	11%	99
73%	22%	5%	104
73%	11%	15%	108

n = 400	Lack of access to a job			Domestic violence or phys abuse			TOTAL
	agree	disagree	ns-dk	agree	disagree	ns-dk	
ALL RESP....	49%	43%	9%	62%	31%	7%	400
gender							
Male.....	43%	50%	7%	57%	36%	7%	193
Female.....	54%	36%	10%	66%	27%	7%	208
AREA							
617 area....	53%	34%	13%	67%	24%	9%	113
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Hispanic....	59%	41%		43%	57%		12
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some else...	43%	48%	9%	73%	22%	5%	69
ns-dk.....	27%	51%	23%	59%	16%	25%	11
PARTY5							
democrat....	60%	33%	7%	74%	22%	4%	126
lean dem....	57%	39%	4%	61%	33%	6%	70
ind & other.	50%	39%	11%	53%	40%	7%	97
lean rep....	29%	57%	14%	56%	29%	15%	53
republican..	31%	61%	8%	53%	37%	10%	54
AGE3							
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40 to 60....	50%	39%	11%	63%	35%	2%	141
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refused.....	100%			100%			1
EDUC3							
HS & less...	47%	45%	8%	57%	37%	6%	154
2yr+some....	43%	47%	9%	61%	31%	7%	122
coll+post...	57%	35%	8%	68%	24%	8%	124
INCOME4							
30K+less....	59%	32%	9%	60%	30%	9%	89
30-50K.....	51%	42%	7%	63%	34%	3%	99
50K+over....	44%	51%	5%	62%	33%	5%	104
refused.....	43%	44%	13%	61%	27%	12%	108

n = 400	Divorced no child support			Young children at home			TOTAL
	agree	disagree	ns-dk	agree	disagree	ns-dk	
ALL RESP....	55%	35%	9%	57%	37%	7%	400
gender							
Male.....	56%	38%	6%	57%	38%	4%	193
Female.....	55%	33%	12%	56%	35%	9%	208
AREA							
617 area....	55%	30%	15%	52%	37%	11%	113
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413 area....	54%	35%	11%	50%	42%	8%	72
Ancestors							
African Am..	40%	50%	10%	38%	48%	15%	11
Asian Am....	71%	29%		90%	10%		9
Hispanic....	37%	63%		66%	25%	9%	12
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some else...	70%	19%	11%	60%	36%	4%	69
ns-dk.....	43%	42%	14%	43%	42%	14%	11
PARTY5							
democrat....	68%	25%	7%	60%	35%	5%	126
lean dem....	57%	33%	9%	59%	33%	8%	70
ind & other.	48%	41%	12%	58%	36%	6%	97
lean rep....	43%	39%	19%	49%	37%	13%	53
republican..	49%	50%	2%	51%	46%	3%	54
AGE3							
under 40....	63%	29%	8%	54%	39%	7%	156
40 to 60....	49%	44%	7%	59%	36%	5%	141
60 & over...	52%	33%	15%	58%	34%	8%	102
refused.....	100%				100%		1
EDUC3							
HS & less...	53%	36%	11%	62%	32%	6%	154
2yr+some....	57%	34%	9%	58%	37%	5%	122
coll+post...	56%	36%	8%	49%	41%	9%	124
INCOME4							
30K+less....	56%	32%	12%	66%	28%	6%	89
30-50K.....	57%	39%	4%	62%	32%	6%	99
50K+over....	52%	43%	5%	47%	48%	4%	104
refused.....	57%	28%	15%	53%	37%	11%	108

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n = 400	women on welfare be forced to work?				women on welfare work or service?				TOTAL
	agree	disagree	depends	ns-dk	agree	disagree	depends	ns-dk	
ALL RESP....	41%	35%	23%	1%	78%	9%	11%	2%	400
gender									
Male.....	44%	34%	20%	1%	74%	13%	12%	1%	193
Female.....	38%	36%	25%	2%	82%	6%	10%	2%	208
AREA									
617 area....	46%	30%	21%	4%	69%	11%	15%	5%	113
508 area....	39%	34%	26%	1%	80%	9%	11%		215
413 area....	38%	47%	15%		86%	7%	6%	1%	72
Ancestors									
African Am..	46%	33%	21%		62%	16%	21%		11
Asian Am....	60%	32%	8%		92%	8%			9
Hispanic....	63%	24%	14%		94%	6%			12
European Am.	40%	38%	20%	2%	76%	10%	12%	2%	289
some else...	39%	28%	32%		81%	5%	14%		69
ns-dk.....	25%	25%	43%	7%	93%			7%	11
PARTY5									
democrat....	27%	50%	22%	1%	75%	12%	12%	1%	126
lean dem....	44%	33%	20%	4%	78%	11%	10%	1%	70
ind & other.	45%	26%	27%	3%	74%	10%	12%	4%	97
lean rep....	48%	27%	25%		83%	3%	14%		53
republican..	55%	28%	18%		86%	5%	8%		54
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UMASS-MCCORMACK, JANUARY 14-20, 1997
REGISTERED VOTERS, N=401

1. Let's start with some questions about the University of Massachusetts. How much would you say you know about the University of Massachusetts, would you say you know a great deal, know quite a bit, know something, or that you know practically nothing about it?

8.6 1. a great deal
12.8 2. quite a bit
39.1 3. something
37.8 4. practically nothing
1.7 5. don't know/not sure

2. As you may know, the University of Massachusetts system is composed of five campuses in Amherst, Boston, Dartmouth, Lowell, and Worcester. How would you rate the overall quality of education provided by the five campuses of the University of Massachusetts system, would you say it's excellent, very good, good, fair, or poor?

10.5 1. excellent
25.5 2. very good
20.4 3. good
5.6 4. fair
1.9 5. poor
36.1 6. no opinion/ don't know

3. Four of the five University of Massachusetts campuses teach undergraduates. Some educators think each campus should decide on its own what courses undergraduates have to pass to get a degree. Other educators think all four campuses should require the same courses for the same degree. What do you think, should each campus decide on it's own courses, or should all four campuses require the same courses, or is that something you don't know much about?

29.1 1. decide on their own
45.7 2. have the same courses
25.2 3. don't know/ not sure

4. Do you agree or disagree with this statement: the quality of education at the five campuses of the University of Massachusetts system has improved over the last year?

32.3 1. agree
6.9 2. disagree
60.8 3. no opinion/ don't know

5. How much confidence would you say you have in the people in charge of running the five campuses of the University of Massachusetts would you say you have a great deal of confidence, only some confidence, or hardly any confidence at all?

17.7 1. great deal
38.6 2. some
8.0 3. hardly any
35.2 4. no opinion/ don't know
.6 5. refused

6. Do you have any children under 18 years of age attending public schools in Massachusetts?

26.1 1. yes
73.9 2. no---------- GO TO QUESTION 10
3. not sure/ don't know------ GO TO QUESTION 10

IF YES ON QUESTION 6, ASK:
7. How much would you say you have read or heard about Charter Schools, would you say a great deal, quite a bit, some, or little or nothing?
PERCENT OF THOSE RESPONDING (n=105)
12.6 1. a great deal
15.3 2. quite a bit
28.7 3. know something
37.8 4. practically nothing------- GO TO QUESTION 10
5.6 5. don't know/ not sure------GO TO QUESTION 10

IF 1, 2 OR 3 ON QUESTION 7, ASK QUESTION 8:
8. Based on the information you have, do you favor or oppose Charter Schools?
PERCENT OF THOSE RESPONDING (n=59)
54.1 1. favor
20.3 2. oppose
10.1 3. not sure
15.5 4. don't know

9. Some people argue that Charter Schools will take tax dollars and the best students out of existing public schools in order to benefit families that already have advantages; other people argue that Charter Schools will make public schools better because public schools will have to compete with Charter Schools for the better students and tax dollars. What do you think, will Charter Schools just take tax dollars and the best students out of public schools, or will they make public schools better by providing competition?

23.2 1. just take tax dollar and better students
55.8 2. make public schools better with competition
1.6 3. (volunteered) both
2.7 4. (volunteered) neither
4.9 5. (volunteered) depends
11.8 6. not sure/ don't know

10. Now turning to a few questions about the construction of the Central Artery/ Harbor Tunnel in Boston, which is sometimes called the "Big Dig." The "Big Dig" is putting the Central Artery, Interstate 93, in a tunnel under downtown Boston. How much would you say you have read or heard about the "Big Dig", would you say a great deal, quite a bit, some, or little or nothing?

19.0 1. a great deal
24.6 2. quite a bit
31.2 3. know something
24.1 4. practically nothing---- GO TO QUESTION 14
1.2 5. don't know/ not sure--- GO TO QUESTION 14

11. People who support the Big Dig give three main reasons for building it: it will produce economic benefits when it is complete; it will improve the quality of life in Boston by making it easy for people to get to the waterfront; it will improve access by car to Logan Airport and downtown Boston. In your opinion, which of these, if any, is the best reason for building the "Big Dig"? READ RESPONSES 1, 2, & 3
PERCENT OF THOSE RESPONDING (n=299)
12.5 1. economic benefits
15.1 2. improve quality of life by access to the waterfront

45.6 3. improve car access to downtown and Logan
12.1 4. (volunteered) none/ opposed to the project
8.6 5. (volunteered) all
6.1 6. (volunteered) don't know

12. The federal government is paying for most of the Big Dig. If the federal government decides to pay less of its current share, should the state government try to find a way to complete the project?
PERCENT OF THOSE RESPONDING (n=299)
67.0 1. yes
6.5 2. depends/maybe
22.5 3. no ----------GO TO QUESTION 14
3.0 4. not sure/ don't know------GO TO QUESTION 14

IF YES OR DEPENDS/MAYBE ON QUESTION 12, ASK:
13. Should the state try to finish the project even if it means the state will have to come up with more money to pay for it?
PERCENT OF THOSE RESPONDING (n=220)
78.7 1. yes
8.4 2. no
8.7 3. depends/ maybe
4.2 4. not sure/ don't know

14. Now a few questions about health care. Do you think health care should be a like a product in the store where people only get it if they can pay for it, or should people who can't pay for it be able to get the health care they need?

10.9 1. product in store ----------GO TO QUESTION 16
79.4 2. people who can't pay get what they need
6.6 3. (volunteered) depends
.5 4. (volunteered) neither
2.6 5. not sure/ don't know

15. Here are three ideas about how to pay for the health care of Massachusetts residents who have no health insurance and can not afford to pay afford for it themselves. Which one do you like best? READ RESPONSES 1, 2 & 3.
PERCENT OF THOSE RESPONDING (n=357)
17.2 1. A special tax on the income of most doctors, hospitals and other health care providers.
46.3 2. The state government should pay through general taxes that already exist.
13.7 3. Hospitals and health insurance companies should add a small amount on to patient's and client's bills.
6.0 4. (volunteered) neither
7.6 5. (volunteered) a combination
3.0 6. (volunteered) something else
6.3 7. don't know/ not sure

16. Are you currently a member of a HMO, or Health Maintenance Organization?

51.6 1. yes
44.5 2. no
3.9 3. don't know/ not sure

17. Do you think HMOs ought to be regulated by government or should they be subject to no government regulation?

52.8 1. regulated by government
32.8 2. subject to no government regulation ----GO TO QUESTIONS 19-23
14.4 3. not sure/ don't know

18. As things are now, do you think government should regulate HMOs more, regulate them less, leave things as they are, or is that something you do not know much about?
PERCENT OF THOSE RESPONDING (n=131)
43.4 1. regulate more
5.0 2. regulate less
14.8 3. leave things as they are
36.8 4. don't know much about

19-23. Now some questions about welfare. I am going to read you a list of reasons some people say a woman who is on welfare should be able to stay on welfare. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with each as a reason a woman on welfare should be able to stay on welfare.
ROTATE LIST

	agree	disagree	not sure/ don't know
19. homelessness	73.0	15.8	11.2
20. lack of access to a job paying a decent wage	48.9	42.6	8.5
21. domestic violence, or physical abuse at home	61.6	31.2	7.2
22. divorced or separated with a lack of child support	55.3	35.5	9.3
23. young children at home	56.6	36.6	6.7

24. Do you agree or disagree with this statement: All women who receive welfare should be forced to get a paid job instead of welfare ?

40.9 1. agree
35.1 2. disagree
22.6 3. depends
1.5 4. not sure/ don't know

25. How about this statement: Women who receive welfare should work or do community service in exchange for welfare benefits.

77.9 1. agree
9.3 2. disagree
11.3 3. depends
1.5 4. not sure/ don't know

26. Now turning to a few questions about building a sport stadium in Boston. How much have you read or heard about building a new sports stadium in Boston, READ RESPONSES

30.4 1. a great deal
30.2 2. quite a bit
30.2 3. just a little, or
8.4 4. practically nothing
.8 5. (volunteered) don't know

27. Would you favor or oppose using taxpayer money to help pay for a new sports stadium in Boston?

22.3 1. favor--------GO TO QUESTION 29
70.8 2. oppose
3.6 3. depends
3.3 4. not sure/ don't know

28. Would you support the use of taxpayer money to pay for a new stadium if it was the only way to keep the Patriots from leaving New England?
PERCENT OF THOSE RESPONDING (n=311)
18.0 1. yes
75.3 2. no
6.7 3. don't know/ not sure

29. Is your name on the list of registered voters at your city or town hall?

100 1. yes
2. no ----------GO TO QUESTION 36
3. not sure/ don't know---GO TO QUESTION 36

30. Almost half the people in the United States people do not get to vote for a lot of different reasons. Did you get to vote in the election for United State Senator two months ago?

81.9 1. yes
17.1 2. no----------GO TO QUESTION 33
1.0 3. not sure/ don't understand/ don't know----GO TO QUESTION 33
IF YES ON QUESTION 27, ASK:
31. In the election for US Senate, did you vote for John Kerry or William Weld?
PERCENT OF THOSE RESPONDING (n=328)
43.1 1. Kerry
39.7 2. Weld ----------GO TO QUESTION 33
17.2 3. not sure/ don't know/ remember---GO TO QUESTION 33

IF KERRY ON QUESTION 28, ASK:
32. Some people say they liked Weld better than they liked Kerry, but they voted for Kerry anyway so that they could keep Weld as Governor. Does this describe your vote for Kerry?
PERCENT OF THOSE RESPONDING (n=141)
17.9 1. yes
81.3 2. no
.8 3. not sure/ don't understand/ don't know
(the 17.9% of Kerry votes in response to this question constitutes 7.6% of those who say they voted in the Senate election)

33. During the Senate race this year Weld said that he was not going to seek a third term as Governor. However, he just said that he might change his mind and run for a third term. What do you think, should Weld seek a third term as Governor?

56.0 1. yes
25.7 2. no
9.1 3. maybe/ depends
9.2 4. don't know/not sure

34. Some people say that Weld should not seek a third term because as national chair of the term limits movement he should stick to the two term limit the movement recommends. Does this

make you less in favor of him seeking a third term, more in favor, or does it make no difference?

18.0 1. less
15.2 2. more
61.0 3. makes no difference
5.7 4. not sure/ don't know

35. Some people argue that Weld should run for a third term because if he doesn't, then the Democratic Party could dominate all the elected offices in the State. Does this make you less in favor of him seeking a third term, more in favor, or does it make no difference?

12.3 1. less
21.1 2. more
59.7 3. makes no difference
6.9 4. not sure/ don't know

36. Now just a few more questions so we can classify your answers. In politics today, do you consider yourself a democrat, a republican, an independent, or something else?

31.6 1. democrat--------GO TO QUESTION 38
13.3 2. republican------GO TO QUESTION 38
48.5 3. independent
3.5 4. something else
2.1 5. don't know/ not sure
1.0 6. refused

IF 3,4,5, OR 6 ON QUESTION 36, ASK:
37. Do you lean more toward the Democratic or Republican Party?
PERCENT OF THOSE RESPONDING (n=221)
31.8 1. democrat
24.4 2. republican
32.0 3. neither
7.6 4. don't know
4.2 5. refused

38. Which of the following best describes your job situation? READ RESPONSES

3.9 1. House keeping----------GO TO QUESTION 47
51.9 2. Working full time
12.8 3. Working part time
22.3 4. Retired ----------GO TO QUESTION 47
4.8 5. Unemployed----------GO TO QUESTION 47
3.0 6. Full time student-------GO TO QUESTION 47
DO NOT READ
1.1 7. OTHER ----------GO TO QUESTION 47
.2 8. NO ANSWER, REFUSED---GO TO QUESTION 47

IF WORKING FULL OR PART TIME ON QUESTION 38, ASK 39-46:
39. Do you get paid an hourly wage, do you receive a salary, or are you self employed? [IF MORE THAN ONE PART TIME JOB, ASK ABOUT 'PRIMARY' JOB]
PERCENT OF THOSE RESPONDING (n=259) QUESTIONS 39-46
54.6 1. Hourly wage
32.1 2. Salary
12.9 3. Self employed
.4 4. NO ANSWER, REFUSED

40-46. Now for some questions concerning how you feel about your job and employment conditions. How satisfied are you with [READ NOTED ITEM], would you say you are very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied? ROTATE LIST

	very sat	some sat	some dissat	very dissat	dK/ n.o./
40. Your current job security	47.4	38.4	7.1	5.1	2.0
41. Your opportunity for career advancement	25.4	50.1	12.5	4.0	8.0
42. Job opportunities where you live	23.9	44.0	18.5	7.8	5.8
43. Your retirement security	26.0	39.9	16.2	10.9	6.9
44. Your income keeping up with prices	19.2	45.9	21.6	10.5	2.8
45. The amount of money that you save	12.6	40.7	28.1	14.8	3.8
46. Health care coverage for you and your family	42.2	37.6	9.4	7.7	3.1

47. Which of the following describes most of your ancestors?

2.8 1. African American
2.2 2. Asian American
3.1 3. Hispanic
72.1 4. European American
17.1 5. something else
DO NOT READ
2.7 6. not sure/ don't know

48. Which of the following groups contains your age? READ RESPONSES

4.9 1. 18-24
8.6 2. 25-29
25.4 3. 30-39
19.8 4. 40-49
15.5 5. 50-59
25.5 6. 60 or older
DO NOT READ
7. don't know
.3 8. refused

49. What is the last grade of school or year of college that you have completed?

10.4 1. Less than high school
28.0 2. High school graduate
9.8 3. a two year associates degree
20.7 4. some College
19.9 5. College Graduate

DO NOT READ
7. don't know
8. refused

50. What is your marital status, is it

20.7 1. never married
59.4 2. married
3.9 3. separated
7.4 4. divorced
DO NOT READ
8.1 5. other_____
.5 6. refused

51. If you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home last year, would the total be:

5.3 1. Less than $10,000
7.0 2. Between $10,000 and $20,000
9.9 3. Between $20,000 and $30,000
13.8 4. Between $30,000 and $40,000
10.8 5. Between $40,000 and $50,000
13.2 6. Between $50,000 and $75,000
12.9 7. More than $75,000
DO NOT READ
8. don't know
27.1 9. refused

52. GENDER, BY INTERVIEWER OBSERVATION. IF UNSURE, ASK: Are you male or female?

48.1 1. Male
51.9 2. Female

That was the last question. Thank you for your help.